

# Greenbelt News Review

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## THE TOWN FAIR

### A Little Bit Of Greenbelt History

by Sandra Barnes

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival will celebrate its 27th anniversary in a few months. But its historical roots go back 40 years, to the Town Fair which began in 1939. While particular events may have changed over the years (for example, in the very early days, there were no carnival rides or food booths), the basic philosophy remains the same. The Town Fair — the Labor Day Festival — is a unique event celebrating the spirit of community.

The following is an excerpt from the program of the "Third Annual Town Fair of Greenbelt, Maryland — "The Town of Tomorrow," held August 28, 29, 30, 1941, and written by the mayor, Arthur N. Gawthrop.

"This annual event, encouraged by the Council and the Town administration, is an exposition executed by our citizens of which we are all proud. It is unique among our community enterprises in that it is the product of the labor of the individual members of practically every organization in the Town. These dozens of men, women and children have worked and thought hard and long in order that the exhibits and features that you see and hear may convey the theme of our "Town of Tomorrow" and indicate the distinctions which result from community planning."

## A REVIEW

### Local Actors Make Their Mark In Fresh Version of "Odd Couple"

by Virginia Beauchamp

Since everyone in the audience could be expected to be familiar with the play now on the boards at the Utopia Theatre, the real question is whether the current cast can leave their own imprint on dramatic material we all associate with other, more famous performers. In the case of the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center's production of the Neil Simon comedy, "The Odd Couple," the answer is yes. A spirited opening night performance kept the audience amused and interested throughout.

The key to the play's success, of course, lies in the casting of the role of the compulsive Felix, around whose misery after the break-up of his marriage the plot turns. In Bob O'Malley director Bill Brandwein found a skilled performer. He had both the range necessary for the role and a combination of charm and quirkiness that made believable the encoun-

Held Thursday through Saturday (Sunday being the traditional Christian day of rest) the Town Fair in 1941 consisted of exhibits which were displayed in the fair auditorium, what is now Center School but originally was known as the Community Building, the combined meeting hall and elementary school. Outdoor contests made up a second phase of the fair. A parade from the Plaza (Greenbelt Center) to the School was a featured event on opening day, Thursday, and kicked off the fair at 3 p.m.

Program Notes indicate that "the parade is open to all citizens and visitors. Scouts and representatives of organizations participating in the Fair are urged to join in." Thus, the opening ceremony captured the spirit — a community enterprise with the residents as the showpiece.

After the parade, the celebrants attended an organ music recital in the auditorium, were treated to a tumbling act by a group from a local school, heard a band concert following the dinner break, saw a water pageant at the pool, went back to the auditorium for monologs, and ended the evening attending a men's quartet and specialty dances.

Friday's events featured athletic activities sponsored by the Recreation Department and Athletic Club, an outdoor band concert at the handball court (behind the pool), and square dancing.

The final day's events on Saturday included model airplane flights, a softball game, clowns,

piano duets, a boxing exhibition by the Prince Georges County Police Boys' Club and awarding of prizes.

## Contests Galore

Exhibits were not merely displays, but contests in which the residents vied with one another for prizes in several categories reflecting the interests of the day: baked goods, canned goods, flowers and vegetables, photography, hobbies and oddities needlework, model planes, and marksmanship.

Cash prizes from \$10 to \$1 were awarded for the most beautiful home grounds in each of the town blocks and in three separate categories: complete home ground beautification, lawns and hedges, allotment gardens (the garden plots on the town fringe assigned to each resident who wished to grow fresh vegetables).

The Athletic Club sponsored contests in distance batting and accuracy throwing. The Department of Public Safety (forerunner of the police and fire departments) sponsored the boxing match. See "HISTORY", page 4, col. 3

## WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., Aug. 13, 8 p.m.

GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

Sun., Aug. 16, 7 p.m.

First Army Band, Lake Park

Mon., Aug. 17 Last Day to Register for City Election (see ad)

Wed., Aug. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Historical Society, Greenbelt Library Tugwell Room.

## MONDAY IS DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION IN CITY ELECTION

by Elaine Skolnik

Greenbelt citizens who are not already eligible to vote in the upcoming City Council election on September 15 have until 5 p.m. Monday, August 17, to register. City Clerk Gudrun Mills reminds local residents that there is a separate registration for voting in city elections. Persons registered with Prince Georges County may only vote in national, state, and/or county elections.

Registration will take place at the following locations:

**City Offices**, 25 Crescent Rd., Friday and Monday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Greenbelt Homes, Inc.**, Hamilton Place Office, Friday and Monday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Greenbriar Community Building**, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Friday, 12 noon to 8:15 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 12 noon to 5 p.m., Monday, 3 to 5 p.m.

**Springhill Lake Community Building**, 6220 Springhill Drive, Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Monday, 9 to 5 p.m.

Once registered, citizens need not reregister as long as they live here continuously and have voted in at least one of the two previous regular city elections. Persons who have moved out of town and then moved back or who have missed voting in the last two elections must register again.

Citizens must meet the following qualification requirements in order to register:

1. United States citizen.
2. 18 years of age as of September 15, 1981.
3. Domiciled within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt.
4. Of sound mind.

The city Charter defines "domicile" as the dwelling place which the voter intends as a permanent home.

As of August 10, 1981, there were 3,287 eligible voters on the registration rolls (see chart page 6). In the 1979 city election, there were 3,414 registered voters. Since that time 552 persons were purged from the registration books (move-outs, deaths, not voting in two regular elections).

New registrants prior to June 1, 1981 totaled 244. Since June, 181 citizens have registered, most of these coming from Greenbelt East, precinct 13 (Greenbriar condominium apartments, Glen Oaks apartments and Windsor Green townhouses).

Many Greenbelters took advantage of the opportunity for mail registration. Mills urges residents who have not yet returned their applications to do so. About 100 forms are outstanding.

## Candidates

Candidates for the September 15 election are incumbents Richard Castaldi, Richard Pilski, Gil Weidenfeld and Thomas White and challengers Ed James, Ronald Ott, Ed Putens and Robert Zugby. Longtime council member Charles Schwan is retiring.

Below, in alphabetical order, are biographies of candidates not previously printed. In the last issue before the election, all the biographies will be repeated to assist voters in making their selections.

## RICHARD CASTALDI

Councilman Richard Castaldi, a native of Greenbelt, is the first member of City Council who was

born and raised in the community. As a youngster, he was active in sports and participated in many of the competitive programs, representing Greenbelt in swimming, Little League baseball, and football.

Richard was elected to the City Council in 1973, served as Mayor Pro-Tem in 1975, and is currently a Councilman in his eighth year of service. He is 36 years old, a graduate of High Point High School, and attended the University of Maryland, majoring in Business Administration.

As a member of City Council, he served on the Council of Governments Human Resources Policy Board, Rape Task Force, and Transportation Planning Board. He was elected Chairman of the National Regional Transportation Planning Board for 1979-1980 and still serves on the Board, which is responsible for transportation planning for the Washington metropolitan area under the Federal Highway Act of 1962. He was appointed to the Prince Georges County Citizens Advisory Committee for the Community Block Grant Fund, and also serves on the National League of Cities Human Resources Planning Board. He is also a member of the Open Space Committee for Prince Georges County of the Maryland Municipal League.

Castaldi is a member of the Greenbelt Jaycees, was elected in 1970 as Outstanding Young American by the National Jaycees, and served as State Director in 1978-1979. He was awarded a certificate by the commissioner of the Maryland State Department of Health after taking an advanced training program offered by the American Public Housing Authority. He completed a management training course at Georgia Tech in 1972. Richard currently holds a State of Maryland Real Estate License.

Castaldi has been employed for 19 years at the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, where he is Supervisor of the Zoning Information and Permits section of the Development Division. He served 4 years on the Board of Directors of the MNCPPC Credit Union, and is President of the MNCPPC Employees' Fund.

Richard is a second generation Greenbelt, and resides at 11-V Ridge Road. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Castaldi; residents of Greenbelt for over 40 years.

## ED JAMES

Ed James, a lifelong area resident, received his education locally. He attended St. John's College High on a full scholarship, where he founded the school Amateur Radio Club, made the Honor Roll, played in the marching and concert bands, graduated as a National Merit Scholar and was nominated to the United States

See CITY ELECTION, pg. 6, col 3

## REMINDER

MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 1981 IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER WITH THE CITY OF GREENBELT FOR THE 1981 REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION. REGISTRATION WITH PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DOES NOT ENTITLE GREENBELT CITIZENS TO VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS.



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### CLARIFICATION

The photograph of the water pipeline in last week's *News Review* was taken by staff photographer Jay Henson.

### Lillian Sursaw

Lillian Belle Sursaw, age 91, died on July 29. A Greenbelt resident, she is survived by her son, Bruce Bowman, 14-Z-3 Laurel Hill Rd., and 3 grandchildren.

### Amberg in 'The Boyfriend'

Greenbelter Alan Amberg is in the cast of "The Boyfriend" which will run Friday and Saturday night, August 14 and 15 at 8 p.m. at High Point High School. The play is sponsored by the Summer Teen Theatre of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. There is a fee.

### Jayceettes Forming Greenbelt Chapter

On Monday, August 17 at 8:30, the Greenbelt Jayceettes will be hosting a membership meeting to help to start a sister chapter to the Greenbelt Jaycees. The meeting will be at the Greenbelt Jaycees' Club House.

Anyone who is interested in serving the community, helping fellow Greenbelters and meeting people should consider the Greenbelt Jayceettes. Call Barb Barber at 441-1010 for more information.

### SWIM TEAM NEWS

by Karen Jones

Congratulations to Craig Dies, who took gold medals in the 13-14 breast stroke and individual medley, and a bronze medal in butterfly last week at the Princemont League all-star meet.

Swim Team practice is cancelled from August 17 through 24, but will resume Tuesday, August 25 for the Sept. 5 Novice meet. All Greenbelt residents and swim team members who have not placed third or better in any meet this year (except the Takoma meet) and can swim 40 yards are invited to participate.

### Utopia Auditions

Casting for ON GOLDEN POND will be held August 18, 19, and 20 at 8 p.m. in Utopia Theater. The following roles are needed—2 middle-aged women, 3 middle-aged men, and 1 boy aged 12-15. The performance will run October 16-31 Friday and Saturday nights plus a November 1 matinee. Call Angela Schreiber at 345-3916 for further information.

### PGC College Credit Courses At Roosevelt

The Prince Georges Community College Extension Centers Office will offer 57 college credit courses at Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School during the 1981 fall semester. The 1981 fall semester begins Aug. 24.

For information, call the College at 322-0783 or 322-0785.

### Greenbelt Representative? To the Editor:

Three years ago this month, citizens of Greenbelt gathered in the library's assembly room for a debate between all of the candidates for the House of Delegates from Maryland's 24th Legislative District. At that time, the chances looked good that finally a Greenbelter would be elected to represent this city in Annapolis. Both the organization and independent Democratic tickets had put a Greenbelter on their slates (Tony McCarthy and Richard Pilski respectively), and the Republicans had nominated a Greenbelter, too (myself). But in the end, it was the same old story. No Greenbelter had ever been elected to the Legislature before, and 1978 would be no exception to the rule.

History need not repeat itself again in 1982. The reapportionment process, which is mandated by law after every census, offers the solution to our problem of non-representation. The 24th District's boundaries don't even have to be altered to separate us from the much larger Bowie to do it. All that has to be done to bring self-representation a little closer to reality is the subdivision of the district.

Impossible? Not at all. Article III, Section 3, of the Maryland Constitution allows the subdivision of districts. In fact, several other districts in the state are already subdivided to insure regional representation.

Districts may be subdivided in two ways: (1) into three single-member subdistricts, or (2) into two subdistricts, one with one delegate and the other with two delegates. Nothing could be simpler. No constitutional amendment is required. No special law must be passed. No referendum must be held. The reapportionment process can do it all.

The subdivision of the 24th District would be easy. The northern one-third, which includes Greenbelt, could be split off for a subdistrict of one delegate. Bowie and the wide open spaces to the south would have two delegates. Both subdistricts would vote for the same state senator.

Isn't it time Greenbelt represented itself in the Legislature? Since the city's founding in 1937, more than seventy-five men and women have represented us in the Legislature—and not one of them has been a Greenbelter. They all may have been legislators of exceptional quality, but

not one of them called this city home.

The subdivision of our legislative district would greatly improve the city's chances to send one of our own to Annapolis. Let the Governor and our legislative leaders know how you feel about it.

Alan Virta

**Editor's Note:** The governor has set up an advisory committee to advise and recommend plans for legislative reapportionment. The committee will hold hearings at various locations in the state, and then is expected to make its recommendations to the governor in the fall of this year.

The committee's hearing for this part of the state will be in Waldorf on Mon., Aug. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the John Hanson Middle School on Route 5 (south).

The Governor in turn must hold a public hearing. He will present his proposed reapportionment plan to the General Assembly on the first day of its 1982 session (or he may call a special session for the presentation of his plan prior to the regular session).

The General Assembly may approve the governor's plan, or it may adopt its own plan. If no plan has been adopted by the 45th day of the session, the governor's plan becomes law.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

Summer Services

Sundays 9:30 a.m.

Rev. John G. Bals, Rector

422-8057

### Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410

Church School 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Ira C. Keperling, Pastor

474-1924

### Bahá'í Faith

Greenbelt Community

P.O. Box 245

Greenbelt, Md. 20770

474-4090/345-2918

SPRING  
SUMMER

Whatever the season  
Whatever the temperature

FALL  
WINTER

You are invited to worship with us

### GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

474-4212

Crescent & Greenhill Rds.

Bible Study for all ages (Sun.)

9:45 a.m.

Worship Service

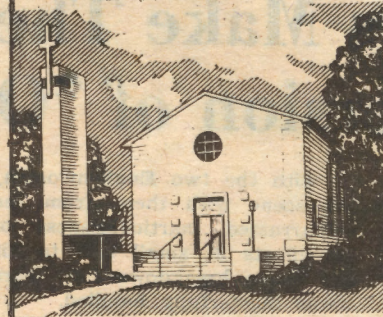
11 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.)

8:00 p.m.

For bus transportation, call church office 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### Greenbelt Community Church



(United Church of Christ)  
 Hillside and Crescent Roads  
 Phone 474-6171 mornings

10 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship and Church School (July and August only)

Nursery provided at

2B Hillside

Rev. Sherry Taylor and  
 Rev. Harry Taylor co-pastors

### Summer Enrichment Program

Sunday Re-Creation (Learning By Doing) 9:50-10:50 AM  
 Sunday Mornings. A time to celebrate life together!

Community Celebration - Sundays 6-8 PM. People of all ages coming together to "break bread," to learn, to worship!

### Holy Cross Lutheran Church

6905 Greenbelt Road

Worship Services: 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:50 a.m.

Sunday morning nursery at both services

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone 345-5111



### NOTICE OF ELECTION

### A REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION

will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland  
 on

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1981**  
**7 A.M. to 8 P.M.**

at the following places:

- |             |   |
|-------------|---|
| PRECINCT 3  | Greenbelt Municipal Building<br>25 Crescent Road          |
| PRECINCT 6  | St. Hugh's School - Gym<br>135 Crescent Road              |
| PRECINCT 8  | Springhill Lake Community Center<br>6220 Springhill Drive |
| PRECINCT 13 | Greenbriar Community Center<br>7600 Hanover Parkway       |

At this election, voters of the City of Greenbelt will ELECT FIVE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL to serve for a term of two years.

All Greenbelt citizens are reminded that, **IN ORDER TO VOTE ON SEPTEMBER 15, THEY MUST BE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY OF GREENBELT. THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER WILL BE AUGUST 17, 1981.**

Gudrun H. Mills, CMC  
 City Clerk

TEL: 474-3870 or 474-8000

### Recreation Review

#### Children's Tennis Clinic

The Greenbelt Tennis Association is sponsoring a free Tennis Clinic for children under the age of 18. The Clinic will be held this Monday, August 17, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the Braden Field Tennis Courts. In the event of rain, call 474-6878 and leave name and telephone number to be notified of the make-up session.

#### Labor Day Tennis Tournament

The Greenbelt Rec. Dept. is sponsoring a tournament from August 29 thru September 7. Competition will be in two flights ("A" and "B" for Men's Singles Men's Doubles, Women's Singles, Women's Doubles and Mixed Doubles. Registration begins August 17, through August 25.

#### Historical Society Meeting

Lil Richardson will address the Historical Society at their next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Tugwell Room at the Library.

The subject of her talk will be "The Surratt Story and Its Place in American History." The public is invited.



## Police Blotter

An alert Hyattsville area resident prevented his car's being stolen while he was visiting in Springhill Lake. He and several friends caught two young men attempting to drive the vehicle away. Pfc. O'Neil took the suspects into custody and charged them with attempted auto theft.

A \$1.00 bill altered to look like a \$20 bill was passed at a store in the Greenway Shopping Center. The case will be turned over to the U.S. Secret Service.

A man who had earlier stolen a Springhill Lake resident's purse from her car in the College Park area attempted to enter her apartment with a key found in her purse. However, a male visitor scared the intruder away. Upon investigation by Sgt. Craze and Cpl. Blake, the suspect was located, arrested, and charged with breaking and entering and possession of stolen property. The victim's purse was found in the suspect's car.

A male and female non-resident were arrested by Cpl. Lann after they had forced their way into a Mandan Road apartment and took a TV set. The suspects, who knew the victim, claimed she owed them money, and when she failed to pay they took her TV set. They were charged with breaking and entering and theft.

Three men were arrested in the Springhill Lake area by Pfc. DiPietro for theft and tampering with a parked auto.

A 1978 Olds Cutlass Supreme, registration BRM 572, was stolen from 7700 block of Hanover between 4 and 6 p.m. Also stolen on Aug. 10 was a 1972 Harley Davidson brown and chrome motorcycle, registration 80980. The theft took place in front of McDoogal's at 8:30 p.m.

## Future Candidates Nights Scheduled

Citizens for Greenbelt and the Greenbelt Jaycees are co-sponsoring Council Candidates Nights on Wednesday, August 26 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Library Meeting Room; and Thursday, September 10 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Community Center. Barry Schlesinger of Citizens for Greenbelt will be moderator at the August 26 program; while Rick Barber of the Greenbelt Jaycees will be Moderator on September 10. All Council candidates have been invited to present their views, answer questions, and listen to comments from the audience. The public is invited.

Sgt. Stair recovered a 1979 Malibu and charged a non-resident juvenile with unauthorized use.

There was a break-in and entering between 2 and 4:30 a.m. on Aug. 4 at Beltway Cleaners in Beltway Plaza. Glass louvers were removed from the front window.

An armed robbery occurred on Aug. 5 at 11:45 p.m. at the bridge at the end of Braden Field near the Jaycee's building. The victim was a local young adult who was approached by two men carrying knives. The young man's class ring was taken.

There were two breaking and enterings, one with no signs of forced entry, at 7200 Mandan on August 6 between 3:15 and 8 p.m., where jewelry and other items were taken. The other occurred on August 7 at 6100 Breezewood, where a stereo, camera and other items were taken. A bedroom window was forced open.

# Father Amey Leaves Parish After 11 Years

by Barbara Likowski

Father Robert G. Amey left St. Hugh's Catholic Church in June after having served the parish for eleven years. Three to four hundred people came out on short notice to show their appreciation to Father Amey and honor him at a reception held at the church Sunday afternoon, June 7 from 3 to 5 p.m. The well-liked priest received parting gifts including a TV set from parishioners and a tent from the teen-agers. (He had often taken the boys hiking and camping.)

It was June 25, 1970 when Father Amey came to St. Hugh's. A native Washingtonian, he was a graduate of St. Anthony's high school, Resurrection College, Kitchener, Ontario and the Seminary of Our Lady of Angels, Albany,

New York. Following his ordination to the priesthood in 1969, he served as assistant pastor at Holy Family Church, Hillcrest Heights.

While in Greenbelt Father Amey was very active with the youth in the parish. Under his guidance St. Hugh's CYO teen club was well organized and very strong, always having at least a hundred members. Father Amey would go to court with the kids when needed, "go to bat for them." Monsignor William O'Donnell put it. He also took part in the basketball marathon.

Monsignor O'Donnell thought that Father Amey would be missed by all of the community "but especially the kids," (including non-Catholics). Father Amey is a well-balanced person "spiritual, social concerns, athletics and social." Father O'Donnell said. His spiritual activities were outstanding here. He taught religion at Seton high and at St. Hugh's. Every

Thursday he said mass for the sisters at their convent.

Intelligent, personable, very amenable, a well-rounded person are ways Father Amey has been described. "He would do the little things that people don't always notice but which make life pleasant," Father O'Donnell said, such as picking up people who needed rides. "He cared about the sick. He's a good cook, a good mechanic and very easy to live with," Father O'Donnell added.

At St. Hugh's church Father Amey shared a large work load with Monsignor O'Donnell. Except for a priest who came in on Sunday to help with mass, they shouldered the many tasks of the large congregation.

Father Amey will be missed but his parishioners and members of the community as well wish him well as he takes on new duties at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Hyattsville.

## ED PUTENS FOR COUNCIL



REGISTER before the close of

Registration, 5 P.M., August 17

VOTE on September 15!

# LEVER 5-A

Authority: Konrad Herling, Treas.

## CONTEST

\$25 prizes for best letters to Ronald Reagan & Leonid Brezhnev encouraging nuclear disarmament. Each contestant must submit two letters, one addressed to each leader, before 9/15/81. One \$25 prize will be given for best pair of letters from writers ages 15-19; another \$25 prize will be given for best pair of letters from writers ages 14 or below. Include age with entries. Sponsor will mail winning letters to the two leaders, and may mail some others. No letters will be returned. Decision of judges final. Names of winners avail. by sending self-addressed stamped envelope. Sponsors for future contests invited. Send letters to PO Box 401, Greenbelt, Md. 20770.

"PEACE!"

PAID AD

## Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club

The Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club Cheerleading Corps has been formed under the leadership of Mrs. Sacra. If you are interested there is still a place for you. Report to Mrs. Sacra at Braden Field on Monday at 6:00 P.M.

The Football Teams have been formed and there is still room for you on the teams. The 75 lb. team is coached by Dave Thornton and Mike Moore; the 85 lb team by Bob Hanks and Norm Sacra; the 95 lb team by Richard Astrayka and Bob Mongelli; the 105 lb team has not been formed as of this date due to a lack of athletes so if you are interested report to Braden Field on Monday at 6:00 P.M. All names must be into the county no later than August 24, 1981.

The Soccer teams are coached by George Bianchi - 8 and Under County; the 9 year old team needs a coach; the ten year old team is coached by Bob Sonneveldt; the twelve year old team by Pete Whitten with assistant Bill Barron; a 15 to 18 year old girls soccer team is being formed under coach Bob Greig and if enough of you are interested we will form a 13/14 year old boys soccer team.

Two additional intramural coaches are desperately needed at the present time.

Coaches will be contacting soccer players during August 17 to 23.

# 7 Days

## Prince George's Community College offers classes seven days a week

- You may register for:  
OFF CAMPUS credit courses at Andrews AFB, Bowie, Eleanor Roosevelt, Laurel, Northwestern, and Surrattsville High Schools and at the Largo Campus
- ON CAMPUS courses at the Largo Campus
- SPECIAL PROGRAMS COURSES
- Register at the Largo Campus,  
9 AM-7 PM, M-F through Aug. 21
- Tuition is only \$22.00 per credit hour
- Fall semester begins August 24

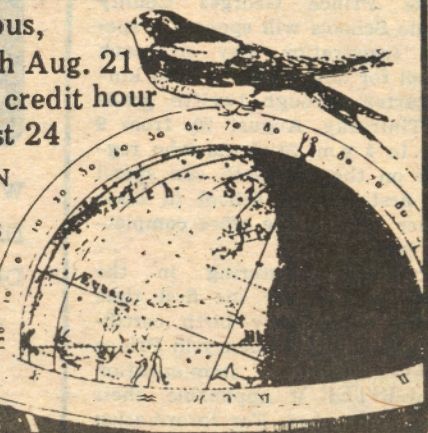
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CALL:

EXTENSION CENTERS: 322-0783

SPECIAL PROGRAMS: 322-0785

ADMISSIONS: 322-0867

Prince George's  
Community College  
The World at your Doorstep







## Festival Notes

Labor Day has been set aside as a holiday to honor American workers. For this reason, one of the most significant events of the Labor Day Festival is the Salute to American Workers. To assure the continued success of this event, workers are needed to take a short time at the Festival Monday afternoon to demonstrate their jobs. Interested workers are asked to call Marguerite Suite at 523-4365 before 7 p.m. Monday-Friday.

## Miss Greenbelt

Twenty vivacious young women have signed up for this year's Miss Greenbelt Pageant. Support for the Pageant has been strong from community organizations and businesses. Five more sponsors are still needed. Olan Mills is contributing color portraits for display prior to the Pageant. H. T. McDoogals is giving a luncheon and Jasper's is hosting a reception for the participants. The Pageant needs a large flat bed truck for the Miss Greenbelt float in the Labor Day Parade. To donate a truck, sponsor a young woman, or contribute a prize, call Lesley Kreimer (441-1990).

## Carnival Midway

Win a day at the drop-zone, take a plane ride, watch skydivers, and even pack a parachute. This is the prize offered by Ray McCawley in the "Find the Buried Treasure Game" at the Greenbelt Homes Inc. booth at the Labor Day Festival. Or maybe people would rather be featured in an issue of the *Greenbelt News Review*, with picture and an interview offered by Elaine Skolnik.

## Art Show

The Art Show Committee is pleased to have Theodore Klitzke as a judge for this year's show. Dr. Klitzke is Vice-President for Academic Affairs and Dean of The Maryland Institute. College of Art. He has studied at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, the University of Chicago, The Ecole du Louvre, and The Sorbonne. Local artists wishing to register for the Art Show may find registration forms at Twin Pines Savings and Loan, the Greenbelt Youth Center, and the Beltway Plaza Community Bulletin Board; or from Susan Ragan, 111 Periwinkle Ct., Greenbelt, MD 20770. (Send a self-addressed, stamped, legal-size envelope.) The deadline for registration is September 1.

## SCHOOL REGISTRATION

The Prince Georges County Public Schools will sponsor a special registration day at each school for new students from kindergarten through twelfth grade on Thursday, August 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students who register on the twentieth can spend the first day of school in class rather than in the office completing forms.

Students registering in the school system for the first time should bring their birth certificates, proof of residency in Prince Georges County, immunization records and, if applicable, their last report card. For information about school assignments and registration, contact the Office of Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries at 952-4390.

## Library Displays Feature Greenbelt

Two displays in Greenbelt's library this month are of historical interest to Greenbelters.

In the large display case on the ground floor are posters of former Greenbelt Labor Day festivals, parades and contests. Greenbelters may enjoy looking for themselves in the pictures or may remember some event they have forgotten.

Inside the front door on the second floor are pictures of Greenhills, Ohio, sister city of Greenbelt. Taken by city manager, James Giese, during a recent visit to Greenhills, these photographs are part of a collection donated to the Tugwell Room by Giese. Greenbelters will note the strong similarities between the two cities which, with Greendale, Wisconsin (reported on by our editor in a series earlier this year) were planned and opened in 1937-38.

## Sponsor a Jaycee!

Greenbelters are asked to sponsor a Jaycee in the Second Annual Tantalizing Tummy Tickling Taco-Eating Tournament hosted by WPGC Radio and the Plata Grande Restaurant in Calverton, Maryland, on Sunday, August 16 from 1 to 5 p.m.

Donations will help the Special Olympics program in Prince Georges County. If interested in sponsoring a Jaycee from Greenbelt, contact Rick Barber, president, Greenbelt Jaycees at 441-1010.

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ches in six weight categories, from 55 pounds to over 160.

Other sponsoring organizations included American Legion Post 136; American Legion Auxiliary Unit 543; Better Buyers Club ("local housewives organized into numerous neighborhood groups studying buying problems of the family"); Boy Scouts; Boy Scout Mothers (organized to promote the scout's annual Father-and-Son Banquet, who sponsored the Baked Goods Contest; the Camera Club; Citizens Association (to which every adult resident belongs"); Community Band; Community Church Men's Class; "The Cooperator" (early name of the *News Review*, "pledged to the improvement and advancement of Greenbelt and the furtherance of the cooperative movement everywhere"); the Credit Union; Garden Club; Greenbelt Churches ("Catholic, Hebrew, Latter Day Saints, and Protestants"); Greenbelt Consumer Services; Gun Club; Health Association (a prepaid medical care organization to which 400 Greenbelt families were members in 1941); Homemakers Club; Hospital Auxiliary (women volunteers who furnished toys, books, newspapers, and other services for those in the local hospital, which was at 30 court Ridge); Mother's Club ("established to promote studies of the everyday problems of the mother... the group used *Parents Magazine* as its guide in its program"); Nursery School; Public Health Department ("a unit of the Town Government headed by the Public Health Officer..."); Public Safety Department (consisting of three full-time officers, one special officer and 16 firemen); Pre-School Mothers' Club; Radio Club and Woman's Club.

It is clear that focus and phil-

osophies have changed over the past 40 years. But the essential ingredient which created the Town Fair — the desire of the men, women and children of Greenbelt to gather together in a fun-filled holiday weekend to display the richness of community life — is both a celebration of Greenbelt's past as well as its future. From the last paragraph of the historical piece on the town written for the fair's program:

"It is hoped that all who attend and all who participate in our Third Annual Town Fair will have brought to their minds and hearts the spirit of friendly cooperation among neighbors which has made this occasion possible."

The Town Fair — the Labor Day Festival — merged in time, unchanged and dear.

## Greenbelt in 1941

In 1941, Greenbelt was composed of 900 residences (the original brick and block homes and the block apartment units near the Center). The town had been built by the federal Resettlement Administration (later known as the Farm Security Administration) in 1937. Also in 1937, Greenbelt became the first incorporated town in Maryland. As an early government demonstration of a planned community, Greenbelt is the forerunner of towns such as Columbia and Reston, and is itself patterned on planned communities in England. In 1941, there were 1780 residents over age 18 and 1140 younger than 18. The frame homes were just under construction.

## Nuclear Freeze Campaign

A meeting of the Greenbelt Peace Committee to plan for local activities as part of the nationwide Nuclear Freeze Campaign will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, August 20. The Nuclear Freeze Campaign, as a first step to eliminate the threat of nuclear war, calls for the negotiation of a mutual U.S.-U.S.S.R. moratorium on the production, testing and deployment of nuclear warheads and delivery systems. It also requests Congress to transfer the funds saved to civilian use.

The initial actions proposed are educational leafletting, gathering signatures for a petition to legislators calling for their support of the Nuclear Freeze, and programs for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival as part of the Freeze Campaign.

Anyone concerned about the threat to society posed by nuclear war is invited to this meeting, which will be held at the home of Becky Williams, 19-E Hillside. For additional information call 474-1353 or 474-6265.

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# GHI's Right To Deny Membership To Unmarried Couple Upheld

by Virginia Beauchamp

"When I use a word," Humpty-Dumpty said, "it means just what I choose it to mean—neither more nor less." —Lewis Carroll

The slipperiness of words and their shading in and out of meanings as contexts shift is the underlying theme in a legal decision handed down this month by the Maryland Court of Special Appeals. The decision, written by Judge Thomas Hunter Lowe, confirms the right of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. to deny membership to an unmarried man and woman who had sought to purchase a house together. The couple, in the words of the Appellate Court decision, although "Reluctant to plunge into the sea of matrimony . . . were nonetheless eager to settle upon its shores."

GHI's decision had been based on a clause in the membership contract permitting occupancy "as residence only . . . for the member and the member's family . . ." This wording, designed to prohibit subleasing to roomers, had been taken over when the cooperative was formed from regulations already in effect when the city was administered by the federal Public Housing Administra-

tion.

The couple — now long since married and no longer involved in the litigation — then filed a complaint on October 10, 1974 with the county's Human Relations Commission (HRC) claiming that the GHI decision violated a county ordinance, CB-1-1972, that reads: "all persons should exercise and enjoy all civil, economic, political, and housing rights without discrimination because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, age, occupation, marital status, public opinion, or personal appearance."

## Chronology

Since that time the chronology of events in the case is as follows:

1976—HRC held two hearings to take testimony on the couple's complaint.

1977—A bill was introduced before the county council clarifying the language of CB-1-1972 by stating that the phrase **marital status** "shall not be construed in the case of housing to prohibit the restricted use of dwellings to persons who are related by blood or marriage." Following vocal opposition, the bill was defeated.

February 9, 1977—HRC issued a cease and desist order to GHI, requiring the cooperative to revise its mutual ownership con-

tract so as not to deny membership to an unmarried man and woman who wished to buy a home jointly. (GHI has always argued that it has not discriminated against single persons of either sex who individually wanted to buy a home. The corporation also believed it would be impossible to get written approval for the directed contract change from all of its 1,608 members.)

February 1977—GHI filed suit against the HRC administrative ruling. Circuit court judge Samuel Meloy, however, dismissed the case "without prejudice" as premature. He ruled that HRC should instead petition the court to enforce its order for GHI to cease and desist.

May 16, 1980—Circuit court judge David Gray Ross ruled in favor of GHI. In part, his ruling said that CB-1-1972 "cannot be construed . . . to provide protection for unmarried persons living together under a section prohibiting discrimination by marital status. People who are not married to one another do not have a marital status and for that reason . . . the legislative body did not intend for such to apply."

## Court of Appeals Decision

Following the Ross decision the case was referred to the Court of

Special Appeals for further clarification in the September term of 1980. Judge Lowe's opinion, dated July 10, 1981, inquires primarily into the meanings of the terms **marital status** and **family** as relevant in the issue of who may and may not buy a GHI home.

Lowe's opinion finds that neither complaining party was denied membership **individually** because of his or her **individual** marital status. "While each separately had a marital status collectively they did not." The law of Maryland, the decision points out, does not recognize common law marriages or other unions of two or more persons outside of marriage. "Even contemporary discrimination laws are not intended to promulgate promiscuity by favoring relationships unrecognized by statute or case law as having legal status."

Referring to a 1940 case in

which a married couple sought to be considered as single for preferential tax treatment, Judge Lowe concludes: "We are what we are and it is in that capacity which we must be judged . . ."

The decision then goes on to consider the term **family**, which the HRC, using the broadest possible dictionary definition, had claimed could include as many as "five persons . . . not related by blood or marriage, living together as a single housekeeping group in a dwelling unit." Judge Lowe, however, demurred. He claimed that the meaning of a word may be limited to the purpose of a specific act — or in this case the GHI membership contract. "It would seem to follow," the decision rules, "that the Greenbelt covenant meant what Greenbelt intended it to mean, rather than what the Commission wanted it to mean."

## Attention GHI Members

### GHI INFORMATION MEETING

### on FRAME HOME SIDING COLORS

Monday, August 17, 5-6:30 p.m.  
in the GHI Board Room.



## GHI Notes

GHI regular Board meeting on August 13.

An informal member information meeting on frame home siding colors will be held Monday, August 17 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Members will receive letters about the siding color selected for their unit by Friday, August 14. They will be allowed changes on a two-unit basis if the color blends and they request an exemption by Wednesday, August 19.

New members are invited to attend an orientation meeting at 8 p.m., August 18 in the Board Room. Besides meeting members of the GHI Board, GHI staff, and City of Greenbelt staff, members will receive information about the rehabilitation program, monthly charges, GHI services, and functions of the Board of Directors and GHI committees. Any new members who have not received an invitation may call Dennis Lewis (474-5566).

Free blood pressure testing will be done August 19 from 2-4 p.m. in the Board Room.

The approximate rehab schedule for the coming week is plumbers at 20 court Ridge August 13-17 and 24 court Ridge August 18-20.

## Our Neighbors

Our deepest sympathy to Bruce Bowman, Laurel Hill, on the death of his mother.

Shiela M. Millhollon and her mother, Jill Marie P. Curtis, recently spent a week in Boxwood and University Square, homes of Timothy M. Milhollon and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Millhollon and their baby son, Jason A. Millhollon. Grandmother Shiela and great-grandmother Jill, both of Arizona, came to attend baby Jason's baptism at St. Hugh's Catholic Church. The baby's uncle Timothy was God-parent. Rev. Robert Amey officiated. Jill and

Sheila were long-time residents of Greenbelt before moving to Arizona. While in Greenbelt, they also visited friends in the area.

According to our Florida correspondent, Mrs. Gladys Long, "Jack McLaughlin is delighted with his mail (from Greenbelt). . . . 'Keep it coming.' Mrs. Anna McLaughlin, 239 Regina Dr. S., Largo, Florida 33540, reports that McLaughlin 'is showing improvement.'"

Mark Crabtree, a junior at Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa, was named to the Dean's List with honors for the second half of the 1980-81 academic year. He is the son of Jacqueline Crabtree of Northway.



## ABSENTEE VOTING

SECTION 7-4 OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE PROVIDES THAT CITIZENS OF GREENBELT WHO ARE QUALIFIED VOTERS SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF VOTING IN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS OF THE CITY BY ABSENTEE BALLOT — SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS:

1. APPLICATIONS SHALL BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE CITY CLERK FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT NOT EARLIER THAN TWENTY DAYS PRECEDING A MUNICIPAL ELECTION NOR LATER THAN 12 O'CLOCK NOON OF THE DAY PRECEDING THE ELECTION — AUGUST 26, 1981 AND SEPTEMBER 15, 1981, RESPECTIVELY. (Application Forms may be obtained from the City Clerk — 474-3870 or 474-8000).
2. ALL SUCH BALLOTS RETURNED SHALL REACH THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK NOT LATER THAN TWO HOURS BEFORE THE CLOSING OF THE POLLS ON THE DAY OF THE ELECTION IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED 6 P.M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1981.

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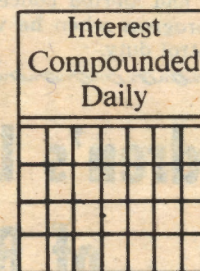
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# Citizens For Greenbelt Start Neighborhood Crime Watch

by Barbara Likowski

The beginning of a citizens' crime watch program came out of the July 20 meeting of the Citizens For Greenbelt (CFG) with the formation of an ad hoc safety committee and plans to start neighborhood watch groups.

Officer David Fulgham from the city crime prevention program talked to CFG about crime in Greenbelt and steps that could be taken to prevent it. Fulgham passed out stickers with the most recent police phone numbers on them. He advised members to call the Greenbelt Police emergency number 474-5454 instead of 911 to report a crime in progress in Greenbelt because it would produce a faster response.

"This community has suddenly grown up without anyone realizing it," Fulgham said. He reported that the ratio of armed robbery is up with more such crimes in the first six months of this year than has been usual for a whole year. Fulgham blamed this increase on "the huge amount of transitory traffic." In spite of the increasing crime rate, he believes Greenbelt is the safest community in Prince Georges County.

In order to combat crime, Fulgham recommended: (1) Teaching safety habits. People can no longer leave front doors open and go out in the back, he warned. He also suggested using a double cylinder lock on doors. Glass, he cautioned, can be dangerous because it can be broken and locks reached. Plastic glass in doors is safest but expensive. Placing the lock out of arms reach (34 1/2") can help prevent entry. (2) Assessing what areas citizens want lighted. (3) Walking in pairs. (4) Cutting down brush that offers concealment.

When president Dorothy Baluch asked what citizens should do to help stop crime, Fulgham suggested a neighborhood watch program. The court system, such as is found in much of Greenbelt, lends itself to such a program, he said.

Marc Siegel, Greenbelt Lake Park patrolman, thought the walkie-talkie system he had at the lake worked well and wondered why citizens couldn't use that method in their program. In response Fulgham asked who was going to pay for the extra personnel needed to keep in touch with the walkie-talkies. Mary Tschabrunn, who had copies of programs other cities had started, thought that if it was possible to do this in other cities, it could be done here. But Fulgham pointed out that federal grant money for such programs is no longer available.

"You need to contact the people who make the laws if you want things changed," he said.

To start, Fulgham recommended getting a "good legal mind" to write guidelines for the group, including a waiver of liability, to protect the city from suits. It should be a watch group only, he said, and the police notified when action should be taken. Meetings should be held in homes. Sign-ups for people interested in starting a group in their areas resulted in

tentative plans to start in Lakeside, Boxwood and Plateau. Fulgham said he would visit these groups and talk to them.

Because CFG could not get a quorum at the meeting, a standing safety committee could not be formed. Baluch therefore formed an ad hoc safety committee to oversee this program and appointed Fred Baluch chairman and Tschabrunn co-chairman. Interested members were urged to volunteer as committee members.

Speaking to the group, Ed Putens, chairman of the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), warned that CFG cannot afford a failure in this project for it would be impossible to pick it up again if it should fail. CRAB has been holding hearings on the problem of crime in the city and plans to make suggestions to council. It will be up to council to decide what to do and how to spend the \$3,000 appropriated to help combat crime. CRAB would recommend updating the Court Parent System. (Before a couple can become court parents, they have to give written permission to the police to investigate their crime records.)

Putens advised training citizens to watch. Two policemen cannot do it all, he said. He also suggested approaching commercial establishments for funds for the project. "They get broken into too," Putens added that what also needs looking into is the problem of crime detection and how and why it is falling down, why people are on the street again after having been caught.

Member Eunice Coxon summed it up: "There are problems, but we're not afraid of problems."

Before the meeting began, a certificate of merit and a check for \$25, was presented to Lee Santos, a 10-year old North End School student who had alerted police to a crime in progress when he was on school patrol duty.

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Air Force Academy. Electing to major in physics, Ed attended the University of Maryland at College Park, where he earned his first degree in 1972.

James did some graduate work in physics before going to work for Martin Marietta Labs doing data collection and analysis. Attending school part-time over the following few years, he earned two additional degrees in biochemistry and zoology. Since then he has worked for companies such as Computer Sciences Corporation, Vitro Labs and Science Management Corporation. He is currently a Computer Systems Analyst designing large-scale computer systems and writing technical manuals. Having purchased his own computer recently, Ed hopes to start his own business in the near future.

James has been active in civic affairs since moving to Greenbelt. In 1978 he made an attempt at "big-time" politics by running for the State Central Committee of the Democratic Party. Although unsuccessful his first time out, he was able to draw more votes than many veteran politicians. In 1979 he started Citizens for Greenbelt and served as its Chairman during its early days, before being elected to the GHI Board of Directors. In 1980 he was elected GHI Treasurer and has served as Finance Committee Chairman, the Computer Committee Chairman and as a member of numerous committees.

James and his wife Alice currently reside at 56-D Crescent Rd. and are members of St. Hugh's Parish.

## RICHARD R. PILSKI

Richard Pilski has served four terms as Mayor with another five terms as councilman, three as Mayor Pro Tem. He has been a resident of Greenbelt for 22 years. A native of Kingston, Pennsylvania, he lives in Boxwood Village with his wife, Claire, a Registered

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Nurse, and three children, Richard, Jr., Nancy, and Chris. He has been employed as tax representative and consultant for Prentice-Hall Inc. for the past 24 years.

He is also a member of the faculty, Prince Georges Community College.

Pilski attended King's College, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and holds a B.S. degree in Business Administration from Syracuse University. He is a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He also served three years in the United States Navy.

Pilski is on the National League of Cities Transportation Committee. He has served eight years on the Council of Governments' Board of Directors and the Energy Policy Committee. Previously, Pilski has represented Greenbelt on the Prince Georges County Tax Differential Committee, the Executive Committee of the Maryland Municipal League, and the Environmental and Public Safety Committee of the Council

of Governments.

Locally, he has served on the Charter Review and Advisory Planning Board Committees of the city; board of directors of Greenbelt Credit Union, Manager of Minor Leagues; and President of the Lakewood Citizens Association.

Pilski is currently active in the Greenbelt American Legion and the V.F.W. He serves as a citizen counselor to the Prince Georges Boy Scouts and to the Greenbelt troops and is an honorary Chief of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept.

## REGISTRATION TOTALS

Precinct		Sept. 1979	June 1981	Aug. 1981
Center	(3)	1,235	1,059	1,099
North End	(6)	1,145	1,008	1,036
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# Detailed Up-date On Rehabilitation Presentation at GHI Board Meeting

by Sandra Surber Smith

"Siding—where are we there?" asked Board President Jim Smith during a comprehensive report on rehab which took the better part of a four-hour meeting of the Greenbelt Homes Inc. Board of Directors on July 23. Comptroller Don McGinn gave a financial report which showed the corporation in good financial shape, and members raised individual concerns—from contracts to appliances.

## Rehab Report

Management and staff "walked" the Board through the rehab report, a detailed study on Phase I and Phase II of the rehabilitation project, which had been prepared by the GHI management team under the direction of General Manager Tim Mitter. At an earlier meeting most of the items related to Phase I had been discussed. However, there were still some questions relating to insulation in the frame homes and the quality of the work. Staff reported that the infra-red scanning had identified all areas where insulation had settled or had been improperly installed and that corrections had been made.

To the ever-present question on siding, management had this response. Mitter said that GHDC was in final negotiations with the contractor, Beltway Aluminum, and hoped shortly to agree to final terms. Members will also shortly receive the color assignment for their unit. Like the time before last when siding was selected, each court will be assigned one of three colors in an overall design scheme. Members will also receive a drawing of their court to show present color assignment, past selections and window colors. Two adjacent units can apply for one of the three optional colors, which must be approved by GHI.

Specific aspects of Phase II rehab were outlined and discussed for the frame, brick, block, frame homes with slate roofs, and the five free-standing homes. Under the NCCB financing of \$13,677,978, the final program was established for frame homes: completion of telephone rewiring, vinyl siding, continued structural repairs; new gutters and downspouts; vapor barrier paint; and new water mains, with individual meters. Because the plan for WSSC to replace the water mains was not accepted, GHI will be responsible for replacing the water mains from the street to the unit. Management announced that vapor barrier paint is now available from GHI and is recommended for use in frame homes.

How to cover the electric service on frame homes is still in question. In removing the electric boxes on some units, GHI has found significant structural damage and now believes that the electric boxes should be removed and replaced on a plywood pad. Later a shed or other arrangement could be installed.

## Block Homes

The block homes rehab package consists of: block repair, foundation insulation; new insulated membrane roofs, new gutters and downspouts or repair and replacement of existing copper gutters and downspouts, new replacement windows, exterior painting, insulated foundation vents, replacing and grounding of receptacles and switches, testing circuits, crawl space insulation, sump pumps where necessary.

Stan Sersen, Staff Architect, described the painting process for block homes—first, there would be sandblasting to remove all paint which can come off. Smith asked if it was cost effective to insulate all roofs. Sersen replied that heat loss without insulation justified that item in the rehab program. Board Member Steve Curtis thought that maintenance costs justified the roof work.

For the brick homes there were many of the same elements as in the block homes, such as attic and foundation insulation and electrical work. The brick homes also require a roof ventilation system. All homes will have metal access

doors over crawl space, new meter stacks where necessary, electrical heavy-up, individual electric hot water heaters, and patching wall areas where radiators had been located or nails had popped.

Several members inquired about the size of the water heater now planned for two and three bedroom units. Sersen said that the latest recommendation was a 30-gallon heater with fast recovery. A number of board members and others commented on the need to ensure an adequate capacity for most families' regular use and to make sure that the fast recovery heater met PEPCO's requirements. Sersen was asked to do further research. A membership meeting to bring all members up-to-date on rehab was suggested.

## Financial Report

In response to requests from the Board for information on the current financial status and projections for 1982 and 1983, Comptroller Don McGinn presented a report. He projected operating budgets through 1983, provided an analysis of working capital, and gave a forecast of the 1982 budget and a final projection of the GHDC Phase I budget. While it was stressed that this was an accounting projection offered for informational purposes and not a budget which would be subjected to board and member scrutiny and input, this financial report was well-received both as informative and favorable.

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## Student Award Winners

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The Jesse J. Warr Memorial Award, which is presented to a junior for his leadership, courage, dignity and compassion, was won by Michael Bracken.

Heather Peterson was given the Skolnik Journalism Award and Dorothy Tilenus received the Woman's Club of Greenbelt Award.

Stephen Jascourt, a member of the school's math team, received a math award. He placed eighth in the county and tied for fourth in the state.

Winners in the 33rd annual Prince Georges County Area Science Fair were Colgan Aras, Grand Prize Winner, junior division, and Stephen Jascourt, honorable mention.

Nancy Femrite was recognized for participating in level two French exam and Carolyn Szafran received a magna cum laude

## At the Library

Thursday, August 20: Films for Tots, Ages 2-8, 10:30 a.m. Mole As A Chemist; Rosie's Walk; Mole And The Green Star; The Cat In The Hat.

## SUMMER SOUNDS

The First U.S. Army Band will perform at 7 p.m. Sunday, August 16 at Greenbelt Lake Park. The concert is free.

certificate for the National Latin examination, level one. Ken Miller received magna cum laude, level two.

The Art Departmental Award was won by Carolyn Szafran.

## Bethune

Departmental awards won by Greenbelt students at Mary Bethune Junior High School were: Social Studies, Eric Hirschmann; Science, Margaret Williamson; Math, Eric Hirschmann and Margaret Williamson; Band, Sonia Schmitt and Chorus, Paula Hirschmann.

(If anyone has been missed, please notify the News Review.)



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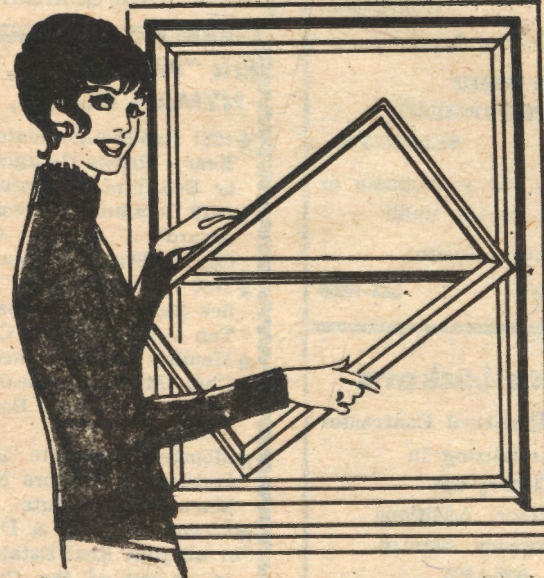
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